shall be issued in accordance with Article 23 of the Code of Public General Laws of the State of Maryland, relating to the issuing of capital of any company incorporated under the General Laws of the State.

- The President and Board of Directors of said Company, upon the acceptance of the provisions of this Act and before proceeding to issue the amount of said increased capital stock. shall file in the office of the State Tax Commissioner, a certified copy of this Act and pay to the Treasurer of the State of Maryland as now required by law, the bonus tax to be computed on the sum of Nine hundred and seventy-five thousand (\$975,000) dollars, and certificates showing the authorization of the issue of such increase of such capital stock signed by the President with the corporate seal of said company affixed, attested by its Secretary, shall likewise be filed with said Tax Commissioner: and before issuing the amount of said authorized increased capital stock from One million (\$1,000,000) dollars, to three million five hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000) as provided in Section 2 of this Act, shall likewise file a certificate of such authorized increase, or part of such authorized increase, with the State Tax Commissioner, and pay to the Treasurer thereof the bonus tax as now required, on such increase as authorized by its stockholders, and which said certificate or certificates shall be signed by the Chairman and Secretary of such meeting or meetings, with the corporate seal of said company affixed.
- The said Company or its duty authorized agent or agents. may contract and agree with the owner or owners, whether individuals, firms or corporations, to purchase and hold in fee simple, or for a term of years, any land or property, or any easement or right therein, or appurtenant thereto, or for the use, possession or occupation of the same, or any part thereof. or of any earth, gravel, stone, timber, streams, rivers, races, waterways, water-power, or of any improvements or of any part thereof whatever deemed by said Company necessary, requisite and proper and wanted by it for carrying out its powers, objects and purposes or any of the same; and if they cannot agree, or if the owner or owners, or any of them, be an infant, trustee, feme covert, who is not possessed of the property to her sole and separate use, and authorized to contract for the same, or non compos mentis, or for any other cause be legally incapable of contracting, or out of the country in which such property may lie when such property may be wanted, said company is hereby authorized and empowered to acquire the same